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Attention: Law Change Updating Requirements for Continuing Education for Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons

<u>Senate Bill 126</u>, (now Public Act 56 of 2017) amends <u>MCL 339.2504a</u> of the Occupational Code, 1980 PA 299, by revising the continuing education requirements for licensed real estate professionals. These requirements take effect on **September 13, 2017.** 

Highlights of PA 56 of 2017 include the following:

Two (2) hours of eligible continuing education courses involving statutes, rules, and court cases are required to be taken in <u>each year</u> of a <u>license cycle</u>. It is no longer by calendar year.

- Currently, a license cycle is 3 years and licensees must take 18 clock hours of continuing education hours per license cycle.
- If a licensee completes an education course to obtain a professional designation, the number of hours of that course will count towards the total number of hours of continuing education courses required in a license cycle.
- An applicant for license renewal must certify the number of hours of instruction included in the course, in addition to the prior requirement of providing a time statement from the continuing professional education program sponsor that states that the continuing professional education credits for the course were granted on a 50-minute hour.

The current license cycle runs November 1, 2015 to October 31, 2018. Each year of the license cycle starts on November 1 through October 31.

The Department is currently working with the Board to update the administrative rules.

You will find information about the continuing education (CE) requirements for real estate on our website at <a href="https://www.michigan.gov/realestate">www.michigan.gov/realestate</a>. Should you have specific questions regarding this email communication or have further questions please contact our office at (517) 373-8068 or email to <a href="mailto:BPLHELP@michigan.gov">BPLHELP@michigan.gov</a>

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